



ÉCOLE LEMARCHANT ST. THOMAS SCHOOL
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September 2017 News

Welcome/Bienvenue to the 2017-18 school year!

We hope that you have all had a great summer and are ready for a new academic year! We extend a warm welcome to our new and returning families and to our new staff members. I am thrilled to be returning to LeMarchant-St. Thomas and our team is ready to embark on a year of learning, friendship and discovery. We look forward to continuing the wonderful partnership between home and school that has become part of the culture of LeMarchant-St. Thomas. Working together benefits our number one priority, your children-our students. Thank you for the warm welcome I have received thus far and I am looking forward to meeting all of you as the school year progresses.



Important Dates

- September 7-First day of school for students
- September 12 School Advisory Council Meeting 4:30 pm
- September 12 Home & School meeting 6 pm
- September 14 - Stand Up Against Bullying Day (wear pink or a light coloured t-shirt to school)
- September 14- Ice Cream Social & Curriculum Night 6:30pm-7:30 pm
- September 25- School photos
- September 26- School photos
- September 29 – Professional Development Day- (no school for students)

Communication

Although it's very busy time of year for parents and teachers alike, returning to school is always an exciting time of year full of promise and new beginnings. Ms. Stoilov and I, along with the teaching staff believe in keeping the lines of communication open. Please feel free to give us a call if you have any questions, concerns or compliments. We look forward to working with all of you as partners to provide the best educational opportunities for all of our students.

Some of the many ways we will communicate with you this year is through school newsletters, email, phone, voice messages, twitter, our school sign and the school website. It is very important that we have the most up to date information for you in case of an emergency as well as it facilitates ongoing communication. If your contact information needs to be updated, please let us know.

PEANUT SMART AND "SCENT" SITIVE SCHOOL



We have several students who have life threatening allergies to peanuts and nut products. Please respect their health and well-being by sending your child with snacks and lunches which do not contain nuts. Additionally, many of our students have medical conditions which can be worsened by scented products. When visiting the school please refrain from wearing products containing perfumes.

LUNCH MONITORS NEEDED!

We are actively recruiting lunch monitors for the 2017-18 school year. Please contact the main office for further information.

School Advisory Council

Our first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 12th at 4:30 pm at the school. Minutes of the meeting will be posted on our website.

Home & School News

Our first meeting for the Home & School Association will be on Tuesday, Sept 12th at 6 pm here at the school. All parents/guardians are invited to attend. We are currently looking for a volunteer to be our treasurer. Hope to see you there!



Student Office Sign In and Sign Out

When picking up or dropping off your child during the school day (not at the end of the day), please sign them in and out at the office. We would appreciate your support in reducing classroom interruptions.

Visitors- Please Sign In 😊

As per Student Protection policy, we ask all visitors and volunteers to the school enter the main doors, using the buzzer then sign in and obtain an ID badge. We need to work hard to ensure all are safe at LMST. Thank you in advance for your support.

VOLUNTEERS

We would like to invite any parent wishing to volunteer to contact the main office at 902-421 6769. We need people to help in our library, to read with children, to help teachers prepare materials, help at lunchtime during eating period and help monitor children outside. Please remember both a criminal records check and child abuse registry is required for all volunteers. The child abuse registry form is available in the office. This registry is valid for three years

Curriculum Night and Ice Cream Social –September 14

New Format

We invite everyone to our Fall Curriculum night and Ice Cream social on Thursday, September 14th at 6:30pm. An informal evening allow for children to attend. Curriculum document handouts will be available. Teachers will meet you in their classrooms at 6:30 pm. Please join us outside for socializing and a yummy treat provided by the Home and School. Thank you! Merci!

PARKING

Parking issues continue to be a problem at our school. Please remember that the parking lot of the school is strictly for staff. Please take note of the many no parking signs, as parking this year will be closely monitored and tickets will be issued by police from parking enforcement. If at all possible, walking your child to school would be appreciated.